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TITLE OF INVENTION: DEVICES, SYSTEMS, AND METHODS FOR MEDIATED RULE-BASED TRANSLATION SYSTEM CONFIGURATION INFORMATION

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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### Amendments / Reasons for Allowance

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Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Steven DiPasquo during a phone conversation on 7/23/2009. Authorization for cancellation of withdrawn claim 45 was given by Mr. Steven DiPasquo during a phone conversation on 7/23/2009.

### 2. Claim 1 has been amended to read

--A computer based translation method that translates source information into target information using knowledge that arises from relationships between elements of the source information, comprising a plurality of activities comprising: obtaining configuration information from a computer based validated biopharmaceutical batch process control system; identifying patterns in the configuration information, inferring relationships between the patterns and corresponding domain concepts, and generating configuration information that encodes the domain concepts; based upon an automatically detected hierarchy among elements of the configuration information automatically obtaining a first transformed version of the configuration, said first transformed version of the configuration including the generated

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configuration information that encodes the domain concepts; generating, via a first set of instructions encoded in DHTML, a graphical user interface based on an automatically detected hierarchy among elements of the first transformed version of the configuration information; transforming the first transformed version of the configuration information using user input to obtain a second transformed version of the configuration information, the user input obtained via the graphical user interface the user input indicative that a second set of transformations will be applied to obtain the second transformed version of the configuration information; and expressing the first transformed version and the second transformed version in a destination biopharmaceutical batch process control system, the biopharmaceutical batch process control system configured by the second transformed version to control a biopharmaceutical batch process.--

## Claim 43 has been amended to read

--A machine readable medium comprising instructions for a computer based translation method that translate source information into target information using knowledge that arises from relationships between elements of the source information, the method comprising a plurality of activities comprising: obtaining configuration information from a computer based validated biopharmaceutical batch process system; identifying patterns in the configuration information, inferring relationships between the patterns and corresponding domain concepts, and generating configuration information that encodes the domain concepts; based upon an automatically detected hierarchy among elements of the configuration information automatically obtaining a first

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transformed version of the configuration, said first transformed version of the configuration information including the generated configuration information that encodes the domain concepts; generating, via a first set of instructions encoded in DHTML, a graphical user interface based on an automatically detected hierarchy among elements of the first transformed version of the configuration information; transforming the first transformed version of the configuration using user input to obtain a second transformed version of the information, the user input obtained via the graphical user interface the user input indicative that a second set of transformations will be applied to obtain the second transformed version of the configuration information; and expressing the first transformed version and the second transformed version in a destination biopharmaceutical process control system, the biopharmaceutical process control system configured by the second transform version to control a biopharmaceutical process.—

### Claim 44 has been amended to read

--A computer based system adapted to translate source information into target information using knowledge that arises from relationships between elements of the source information, the system comprising: means for obtaining configuration information from computer based validated biopharmaceutical batch process control system; means for identifying patterns in the configuration information inferring relationships between the patterns and the corresponding domain concepts, and generating configuration information that encodes the domain concepts; means for

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automatically obtaining based upon an automatically detected hierarchy among elements of the configuration information a first transformed version of the configuration information, said first transformed version of the configuration information including the generated configuration information that encodes the domain concepts; means for generating, via a first set of instructions encoded in DHTML, a graphical user interface based on an automatically detected hierarchy among elements of the first transformed version of the configuration information; and means for transforming the first transformed version of the configuration information using user input to obtain a second transformed version of the configuration information, the user input obtained via the graphical user interface the user input indicative that a second set of transformations will be applied to obtain the second transformed version of the configuration information; and means for expressing the first transformed version and the second transformed version in a process control destination system, the process control destination system configured by the second transform version to control a process.--

### Reasons for Allowance

3. Claims 1-44, 46 are allowed.

- 4. Claims INDEPENDENT(S) are considered allowable since when reading the claims in light of the specification, as per the MPEP §2111.01 or Toro Co. v. White Consolidated Industries Inc., 199 F.3d 1295, 1301, 53 USPQ2d 1065, 1069 (Fed. Cir. 1999), none of the references of record alone or in combination disclose or suggest the combination of limitations specified in the independent claims including identifying patterns in the configuration information (defined at e.g. ¶0075), inferring relationships between the patterns and corresponding domain concepts, and generating configuration information that encodes the domain concepts. (defined at e.g. ¶0025) as specified in claims 1, 43 and 44.
- 5. A practical application for the invention is disclosed at e.g. ¶0018 as a control mechanism for a biopharmaceutical batch process.
- 6. The closest prior art teaches (U. S. Patent 6834370: Brandl) in claim 1 a computer based translation method that translates source information into target information using knowledge that arises from relationships between elements of the source information, comprising a plurality of activities comprising: obtaining configuration information from a computer based validated biopharmaceutical batch process control system (**Brandl**, C1:1-36, C48:54 through C49:10; 'Biopharmaceutical batch process control system' of applicant is disclosed by 'The process industry is the segment of industry which handles bulk materials, such as chemicals, food products,

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bulk polymeric materials, fuels, pharmaceuticals, etc., by processing input materials in a bulk manner to change their physical or chemical state to manufacture products' of Brandl. 'Obtaining configuration information' of applicant is illustrated by 'The file folders pane allows the user to select the elements of the recipe he wishes to view' of Brandl.) based upon an automatically detected hierarchy among elements of the configuration information automatically obtaining a first transformed version of the configuration, said first transformed version of the configuration information including the generated configuration information that encodes the domain concepts; (Brandl, abstract, C18:61 through C19:20; 'Automatically' of applicant is equivalent to 'automatically' of Brandl. 'Hierarchy among elements of the configuration information' of applicant is disclosed by 'The batch control system 18 controls manufacture in the process cell 14 through its interface to the control modules 38 within the process cell. Although each control module typically can be operated independently of all of the other control modules in the process cell, the logical grouping of the control modules 38 into the hierarchy of equipment modules 36, units 34, and process cells 14 provides for a more organized picture of the process equipment. This structure often simplifies the task of controlling a process to manufacture a product' of Brandl. 'Automatically obtaining a first transformed version of the configuration' of applicant is disclosed by 'A method is provided for automatically creating a set of master recipes from general recipe using site information' in combination with 'The following description will explain, in accordance with the preferred embodiments of the invention, how a set of master recipes will be created to perform the process of the general recipe of fig 13 in the process cell 14 of fig 12' of

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Brandl.) a graphical user interface based on an automatically detected hierarchy among elements of the first transformed version of the configuration information. (Brandl, fig. 70; 'Graphical user interface' of applicant is disclosed by an image of the graphical used interface used with Brandl.) transforming the first transformed version of the configuration information using user input to obtain a second transformed version of the configuration information (Brandl, C33:55-65, 41:64 through C42:24; Examples of transforming the first transformed version of the configuration information' of applicant are 'The actual data structure, the units of measure used for the various pieces of data (such as pressures, temperatures, volumes, etc.), the information selected to be in the database, etc. are all matters of choice. In the preferred embodiments, the users select the units of measure to be used for each data type. The users preferably also select what information is included in the unit specific equipment information database and in the equipment requirements section of each recipe segment', 'The optimization information 132 may be user defined or it may be predefined, such as minimum number of material movements, minimum number of units used to perform the general recipe 44 in the process cell 14, or minimum cost of running a recipe segment 64' and 'Each of these blocks preferably allows the user to select whether the optimization algorithms associated with the block are activated or not' of Brandl.) the user input obtained via the graphical user interface the user input indicative that a second set of transformations will be applied to obtain the second transformed version of the configuration information (Brandl, figures 70 and 71; 'Graphical user interface' of applicant is illustrated by the graphic user interfaces of these figures of Brandl.) expressing the first transformed

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version and the second transformed version in a destination biopharmaceutical batch process control system, the biopharmaceutical batch process control system configured by the second transformed version to control a biopharmaceutical batch process.

(Brandl, C1:1-36, figures 70 and 71; 'Biopharmaceutical batch process control system' of applicant is disclosed by 'The process industry is the segment of industry which handles bulk materials, such as chemicals, food products, bulk polymeric materials, fuels, pharmaceuticals, etc., by processing input materials in a bulk manner to change their physical or chemical state to manufacture products' of Brandl. These figures of Brandl show the formula of 'product C' and the user is able to generate a second transformed version using the graphic interface.)

In claim 43, a machine readable medium comprising instructions for a computer based translation method that translate source information into target information using knowledge that arises from relationships between elements of the source information, the method comprising a plurality of activities comprising: obtaining configuration information from a computer based validated biopharmaceutical batch process system (Brandl, C1:1-36, C48:54 through C49:10; 'Biopharmaceutical batch process control system' of applicant is disclosed by 'The process industry is the segment of industry which handles bulk materials, such as chemicals, food products, bulk polymeric materials, fuels, pharmaceuticals, etc., by processing input materials in a bulk manner to change their physical or chemical state to manufacture products' of Brandl. 'Obtaining configuration information' of applicant is illustrated by 'The file folders pane allows the user to select the elements of the recipe he wishes to view' of Brandl.) based upon an

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In claim 44, a computer based system adapted to translate source information into target information using knowledge that arises from relationships between elements of the source information, the system comprising: means for obtaining configuration information from computer based validated biopharmaceutical batch process control system (Brandl, C1:1-36, C48:54 through C49:10; 'Biopharmaceutical batch process control system' of applicant is disclosed by 'The process industry is the segment of industry which handles bulk materials, such as chemicals, food products, bulk polymeric materials, fuels, pharmaceuticals, etc., by processing input materials in a bulk manner to change their physical or chemical state to manufacture products' of Brandl. 'Obtaining configuration information' of applicant is illustrated by 'The file folders pane allows the user to select the elements of the recipe he wishes to view of Brandl.) means for automatically obtaining based upon an automatically detected hierarchy among elements of the configuration information a first transformed version of the configuration information, said first transformed version of the configuration information including the generated configuration information that encodes the domain concepts; (Brandl, abstract, C18:61 through C19:20; 'Automatically' of applicant is equivalent to

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the example of the formula of 'product C' and the user is able to generate a second

transformed version using the graphic interface.)

Complementary art teaches (U. S. Patent Publication 20010056429: Moore) in

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claims 1, 43 and 44 generating, via a first set of instructions encoded in DHTML,

(Moore, ¶0291; 'Encoded in DHTML' of applicant is equivalent to using as a

presentation language of DHTML of Moore.)

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